

## State Board of Education Request For Freeway School Accreditation

<b>Name of Requesting School:</b>	Ladoga Academy (new petition)
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<b>Board Date:</b>	June 6, 2007	<b>Grade Span:</b>	4-12
<b>Principal:</b>	Margaret Gordon	<b>Public or Private:</b>	Private
<b>Location Address:</b>	8506 South Academy Way	<b>Enrollment:</b>	88
<b>City/Town:</b>	Ladoga	<b>Targeted Student Population:</b>	Therapeutic residential girls

### Indiana Department of Education Division of Accreditation, Assistance, and Awards

The following executive summary has been compiled by the **Division of Accreditation, Assistance, and Awards** for use by the Indiana State Board of Education. It includes information presented by the school during the accreditation process, potential legal standard issues, and any other information collected during the process that may impact on accreditation.

#### **Summary of Materials Presented to the Board:**

1. "The goal of Ladoga Academy is to provide a safe, secure environment for adolescent girls where they can attain behavioral and academic success through individualized treatment." It is also accredited by North Central Association (NCA).
2. **Attendance-** "Ladoga Academy maintains an attendance rate greater than 95%."
3. **Graduation-** "In the event Ladoga Academy has the opportunity to graduate a student, Ladoga Academy will provide the requirements necessary for graduation and a diploma." Ladoga Academy's goal is to return the students to their home school, where the student then graduates.
4. **Benchmarks-**  
ISTEP+  
TABE  
Stanford
5. **Staffing-** All staff are properly licensed in the state of Indiana.

#### **Waiver Requests:**

1. **Instructional Minutes-** 511 IAC 6.1-3-4  
"Although Ladoga Academy follows the public school schedule for awarding completes and credits; however, there are cases where a student may complete a course in less time. Ladoga Academy is unique because we offer continuous, year round school."

**2. Textbook Adoption-** IC 20-20-5-2, IAC 6.1-5-5, IC 20-26-12-24

"Ladoga Academy uses the Indiana Department of Education Standards as the basis for curriculum and class content. Because Ladoga Academy students come from a varied background and even different states, Ladoga Academy would like the flexibility to purchase textbooks appropriate for our students."

**3. Curriculum-** 511 IAC 6.1-5-3.5, 511 IAC 6.1-5-4

Ladoga Academy would like to use the flexibility granted by the Freeway Schools Program in areas of general curriculum required so the Ladoga Academy curriculum can be more individualized and still meet the needs of Ladoga Academy students."

**4. Health, safety, alcohol, tobacco and drug education-**

IC 20-30-5-8, IC 20-30-5-9, IC 20-30-5-11

"These topics are covered by multiple individualized programs and through our Circle of Life Program, Independent Living Groups and Community Service Program."

**Issues-** none

**Recommendation:** Five Year Accreditation

**Rationale:**